

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION TERRORISM PREVENTION AND RESPONSE ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways, Transit, and Pipelines approved for full Committee action H.R. 5082, Public Transportation Terrorism Prevention and Response Act of 2004.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2004

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine recommendations of the 9/11 Commission, focusing on efforts to identify and combat terrorist financing, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine the controversy over embryonic stem cell research, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 2410, to promote wildland firefighter safety; H.R. 1651, to provide for the exchange of land within the Sierra National Forest, California; S. 2378, to provide for the conveyance of certain public land in Clark County, Nevada, for use as a heliport; H.R. 2400, to amend the Organic Act of Guam for the purposes of clarifying the local judicial structure of Guam; H.R. 3874, to convey for public purposes certain Federal lands in Riverside County, California, that have been identified for disposal; H.R. 4170, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to recruit volunteers to assist with, or facilitate, the activities of various agencies and offices of the Department of the Interior; and S. Res. 387, commemorating the 40th Anniversary of the Wilderness Act, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Ryan C. Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Marcie B. Ries, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Albania, Catherine Todd Bailey, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia, and Douglas Menarchik, of Texas, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, 3 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be followed by an oversight hearing on lobbying practices involving Indian tribes, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development, and Research, hearing to review the Farm Credit System, 1:30 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, to mark up H.R. 10, 9/11 Recommendations Implementation Act, 1 p.m. 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Improving Women's Health: Understanding Depression After Pregnancy," 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "An Examination of Wireless Directory Assistance Policies and Programs," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, to consider the following bills: H.R. 5011, Military Personnel Financial Services Protection Act; H.R. 4634, Terrorism Insurance Backstop Extension Act of 2004; and H.R. 10, 9/11 Recommendations Implementation Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 10, 9/11 Recommendations Implementation Act; and H.R. 3281, Whistler Protection Enhancement Act, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on Afghanistan: United States Strategies on the Eve of National Elections; followed by markup of S. 2292, Global Anti-Semitism Review Act of 2004, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 10, 9/11 Recommendations Implementation Act; H.R. 4306, to amend section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act to improve the process for verifying an individual's eligibility for employment; S. 1994, Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Act of 2003; H.R. 4547, Defending America's Most Vulnerable: Safe Access to Drug Treatment and Child Protection Act of 2004; H. Res. 568, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Judicial determinations regarding the meaning of the laws of the United States should not be based on judgments, laws or pronouncements of foreign institutions unless such foreign judgments, laws, or pronouncements inform an understanding of the original meaning of the laws of the United States; H.R. 3143, International Consumer Protection Act of 2003; H.R. 4264, Animal Fighting Prohibition Enforcement Act of 2004; H.R. 775m Security and Fairness Enhancement for America Act of 2003; H.R. 4453, Access to Rural Physicians Improvements Act of 2004; and a private relief measure, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 855, Arizona Water Rights Settlement Act; H.R. 5134, To require the prompt review by the Secretary of the Interior of the long-standing petitions for Federal recognition of certain Indian tribes; and H.R. 5135, To provide for a nonvoting delegate to the House of Representatives to represent the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 977, Aerial Firefighter Relief Act of 2003; H.R. 1550, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to make grants to improve the commercial value of forest biomass for electric energy, useful heat, transportation fuels, petroleum-based product substitutes, and other commercial purposes; H.R. 1723, Caribbean National Forest Act of

2003; and H.R. 4461, Walnut Canyon Study Act, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Environment, Technology and Standards, to mark up H.R. 4546, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Act, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to consider the following: GSA Fiscal Year 2005 Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Resolutions; H.R. 5082, Public Transportation Terrorism Prevention and Response Act of 2004; H.R. 5105, To authorize the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution to carry out construction and related activities in support of the collaborative Very Energetic Radiation Imaging Telescope Array System (VERITAS) project on Kitt Peak near Tucson, Arizona; H.R. 5121, to further protect the United States aviation system from terrorist attacks; the National Health Museum Authoriza-

tion Act; the Research and Special Programs Reorganization Act of 2004; and other pending business, 11 a.m., 167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, to mark up H.R. 10, 9/11 Recommendations Implementation Act, 1:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness and Response, hearing entitled "The National Incident Management System: Enhancing Response to Terrorist Attacks," 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Conference: meeting of conferees on H.R. 4200, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, 10 a.m., SD-628.